## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS AND NOTICE OF WORKSHOPS

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS AND WORKSHOPS FOR THE CONSULTATION REQUIREMENT AND SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT PROCESS FOR THE SECOND ALLOCATION OF FY 2011 ESG FUNDS AND FY 2012 ESG FUNDS - URBAN COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO

The County of San Luis Obispo is inviting interested persons, agencies and organizations to apply for Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds for Rapid Re-Housing, Homelessness Prevention, HMIS, and/or administrative activities. The application process includes a series of workshops for the discussion and consultation of the ESG interim rule regulations as published on December 5, 2011 by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the substantial amendment process for the use of the ESG funds. The purpose of the workshops is to develop key requirements associated with implementation of the ESG program and for discussion of the substantial amendment to both the 2011 and 2012 Action Plans. The County Board of Supervisors will hold a hearing on May 8, 2012 and the submittals to HUD are due by May 15, 2012.

The ESG interim regulations, under 24 CFR Part 576, can be found at: <a href="http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2011-12-05/pdf/2011-30938.pdf">http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2011-12-05/pdf/2011-30938.pdf</a>. The total funds available from 2011 include \$45,412 for Rapid Re-Housing, Homelessness Prevention and/or HMIS activities and \$6,160 for administration activities. The total funds available from 2012 include \$64,065 for Rapid Re-Housing, Homelessness Prevention and/or HMIS activities and \$7,672 for administration activities. Please note that recipient agencies of these funds will be required to 1) use centralized or coordinated assessments for clients served and 2) comply with the Policies and Procedures adopted in the Annual Action Plans as described on pages 19-23 of Notice of the FY2011 Substantial Amendment Process and Other Related Information for Recipients of Emergency Solutions Grants Program Funds as found at <a href="http://www.hudhre.info/documents/ESGSubstantialAmendment.pdf">http://www.hudhre.info/documents/ESGSubstantialAmendment.pdf</a>.

**WORKSHOP SCHEDULE**: All public workshops will be held at the County Government Center:

County Government Center, 1055 Monterey Street, San Luis Obispo

Wednesday, February 15, 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM, Room 361 Friday, February 17, 1:30 PM to 3:30 PM, Room 161 Tuesday, February 21, 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM, Room 161

**ESG funds can be used for the following activities**: Rapid Re-Housing – Rental Assistance; Rapid Re-Housing – Housing Relocation and Stabilization Services; Homelessness Prevention – Rental Assistance; Homelessness Prevention – Housing Relocation and Stabilization Services; Homeless Management Information System (HMIS), and Administration.

ESG applications are available at: <a href="http://www.slocounty.ca.gov/planning/Housing\_and\_Economic\_Development.htm">http://www.slocounty.ca.gov/planning/Housing\_and\_Economic\_Development.htm</a>. Applications can be mailed to: Tony Navarro, Planner III, Department of Planning and Building, 976 Osos Street, Room 300, San Luis Obispo, CA 93408 or hand delivered to Tony Navarro at 1035 Palm Street, Room 370, San Luis Obispo, CA, faxed to (805) 781-5624 or e-mailed to tnavarro@co.slo.ca.us. Applications will be accepted until close of business <a href="mailto:Friday\_March 2">Friday\_March 2</a>, 2012. Hard copies of the original application must be PHYSICALLY received by 5:00 P.M. on March 2, 2012. POSTMARKED DATED MAIL RECEIVED AFTER THE DEADLINE <a href="https://www.slocounty.ca.gov/planning/Housing\_and\_Economic\_Development.htm">WILL</a> NOT BE ACCEPTED.

If you cannot attend one of the workshops and would like to include your comments as part of the process, please send all written comments to Tony Navarro or Morgan Torell, Planner III, Department of Planning and Building, 976 Osos Street, Rm. 300, San Luis Obispo, CA 93408 or e-mail comments to <a href="mailto:tnavarro@co.slo.ca.us">tnavarro@co.slo.ca.us</a>. For more information, call (805) 781-5787. Please contact Tony Navarro or Morgan Torell if you have questions or need additional information about the funding programs, or about the citizen participation process.

Criteria that will be used to evaluate the proposals prior to funding decisions by the cities and the County will include:

- 1. Consistency with federal regulations and laws
- 2. Community support (for example, approval of project by a city council)
- 3. Seriousness of need proposed to be addressed by project/program
- 4. Degree to which project benefits eligible persons as defined by the interim rule regulations
- 5. Feasibility of the project to be completed as budgeted by applicable expenditure deadlines
- 6. Cost effectiveness of funds requested and leveraging of matching funds
- 7. Organization's experience or knowledge regarding ESG requirements.